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THE FIGHT IS OFF

Corbett and McGovern Will Not Meet in Louisville.

Injunction Granted By the Court of Appeals to Stop the Contest.

MONEY TO BE REFUNDED

Louisville, Sept. 20.—The McGovern-Corbett contest has been declared off, and the Southern Athletic Club will refund \$31,400 to ticket holders and is out \$5,000 because of official interference.

The injunction granted yesterday by Judge Emmett Field, of the Jefferson circuit court, restraining the Southern Athletic Club from pulling off the McGovern-Corbett contest for the featherweight championship of the world at Louisville on Monday evening next, was sustained by Associate Judge James D. White of the court of appeals late yesterday afternoon at Frankfort.

Judge White invited the full bench of the court to sit with him and hear the case, which all but one member did, and the decision is one of the court, though the motion to dissolve the injunction was made before a single member of it. A majority of the court expressed the opinion that the glove contest which was enjoined in the lower court is a prize fight and that it is immaterial whether the purse was to be evenly divided. The six members of the court sitting divided equally on the most important legal question raised in the case, that of whether the chancellor had power by injunction, to restrain the commission of a criminal act.

At midnight it was announced that the fight was off absolutely and unconditionally. An attempt was made to have the two men appear in a six-round bout at one of the theaters, but this was objected to by McGovern's manager, and after a conference of several hours' duration between several sporting men, the idea of having the two men appear was given up.

BIG MAIL.

THIS HAS BEEN THE BIGGEST WEEK IN LOCAL HISTORY.

This has been the banner week for outgoing mail in the local postoffice. There is no exact account kept of the matter sent out, but the amount of labor it requires to put the stuff out and the length of time consumed in this duty all goes to show that this has been the biggest week in the history of the postoffice. The mail matter is on the steady increase and one class of the stuff sent in is the advertisements sent out by the advertising firms. The manufacturers here are advertising more extensively in this way, though the mails, and a great deal of the stuff sent out can be classified in this lot. The correspondence is unusually large and the amount of business transacted is surprising.

SMALL CROWD.

THE MAYFIELD - EVANSVILLE EXCURSION NOT WELL PATRONIZED.

The Mayfield and Evansville excursion passed through the city this morning at 7:10 o'clock with a light patronage.

There were only a few Mayfield people on the train but when Paducah was reached about 50 passengers were added. Three coaches were added to the train here to handle the crowds that will be met at stations between here and Evansville. The train will pass through again Sunday night or Monday morning on its return.

JUDGE ROBERTSON ILL.

Judge W. W. Robertson, of Mayfield, was yesterday taken ill again and is now in a serious condition.

TO THE NATIONAL PARK.

Major J. H. Ashcraft leaves on the Tennessee this evening for Shiloh to spend a week on business.

THE OPENING NIGHT

A Pleasant Evening at the Y. M. C. A. Reception.

Music and Refreshments Contributed to the Enjoyment of This Auspicious Occasion.

Y. M. C. A. FORMALLY OPENED

A most pleasant social occasion was the Y. M. C. A. reception on Friday evening which, also, marked the formal opening of the association under the new management. Everything looked most attractive, the building has been put in fine order and various improvements made; many were the delighted comments heard on all sides, especially from the ladies, who appreciated the thorough cleanliness and air of comfort that pervaded everything. It is to be regretted that all of Paducah's representative citizens could not have been present to have seen these improvements and to have heard Secretary Hanna's plans for the winter's work outlined. He is an energetic, capable secretary, and most agreeable and pleasant socially.

An interesting musical program was given in the gymnasium building which was effectively decorated in red and white bunting. Misses Letha Puryear and May Davis rendered some brilliant instrumental music; Mr. A. J. Bamberger gave a fine cornet solo, and Mrs. W. C. Gray sang very sweetly two selections. After the program, delightful coffee and cakes were served in the parlors by the women's committee, and later many of the guests amused themselves with the shuffle board, basket ball and other games.

Secretary Hanna made a splendid host, ably assisted by Dr. H. P. Sights, and Mr. Charles Q. O. Leigh, of the board of directors, and some of the older young men members. Regret was expressed at the absence of Physical Director Matthis on account of illness. The attendance of the association members was quite good, and evinced their interest. A number of lady guests were also present. Dr. G. W. Perryman represented the ministers of the city, and two of the fifteen board of directors were present.

The baths are now in the best of condition and ready for use. Mr. Matthis has been working hard to get everything in shape for the opening of the gym classes and is now ready to receive the members' applications and to examine them physically. There will be only a few members of the classes at first but there will be a marked increase before the classes have been opened a month. The gym is in readiness and the suits are here and Mr. Matthis urges that all desiring to enter the classes to come up at once for examination.

The regular Sunday afternoon services or speeches will be started tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 when Evangelist Paul Price will talk to the public. All are invited to the services regardless as to whether they are members of the association or not. A new speaker will be procured each Sunday and this made a feature of the work. For the past two years this plan has been worked and to the best of satisfaction.

State Secretary H. E. Rosevear will be here shortly to inspect the improvements made by the local association and also to note the progress made with the classes, etc.

LOOKING FOR ALLEGED MURDERER.

New York, Sept. 20.—Detectives are looking for William Hooper Young, a grandson of the Mormon leader, Brigham Young, who is suspected of the sensational murder of Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer at Jersey City.

A NICE AFFAIR.

The cantata given last night in the lecture room of the Broadway Methodist church was a very nice affair and was largely attended. It was in charge of Mrs. W. T. Miller and was under the auspices of the Ramsey society.

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WEEK'S NEWS IN THE BUSINESS WORLD.

Clearings this week, \$618,353
Same week last year, 487,519
Increase, 130,834

Business at the banks the past week was very heavy the clearings showing an increase over last year of over 25 per cent. Demands for money are also heavy.

The wholesale houses report excellent trade. The dry goods, whiskey, and grocery houses especially being

very busy with Fall shipments. Wholesale trade all over the country is heavy and retail merchants returning from the markets report it a hard matter to get some lines of goods the factories being sold out. Shipments are slow in coming, too, on account of the very heavy volume of business being done.

The retail stores report a good start off on fall goods and look for a splendid season.

ONE HUNDRED KILLED

Many Persons Crushed to Death in a Negro Church.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 20.—In an awful crush of humanity, caused by a stampede in the Shiloh negro Baptist church at Avenue G and Nineteenth street last night 115 were killed, 90 bodies having been recovered and 87 identified.

The calamity occurred at 9 o'clock just as Booker T. Washington had concluded his address to the national convention of Baptists, and for three hours the scenes around the church were indescribable. Dead bodies were strewn in every direction and the ambulance service of the city was utterly incapacitated to move them.

There were at least 2,000 persons in the edifice when the stampede began.

Just as Booker Washington concluded his address Judge Billou, a negro lawyer from Baltimore, engaged in an altercation with the choir leader concerning an unoccupied seat, and it is said a blow was struck. Some one in the choir cried "They're fighting." Mistaking the word "fighting" for "fire," the congregation rose en masse and started for the door. One of the ministers quickly mounted the rostrum and admonished the people to keep quiet. He repeated the word "quiet" several times and motioned to his hearers to be seated. Again the excited congregation mistook the word "quite" for "fire" and rushed

pell mell for the door. Men and women crawled over benches, fought their way into the aisles and those who had fallen were trampled on like cattle.

The screams of women and children added to the horror of the scene and through mere fright many persons fainted and as they fell to the floor were crushed to death.

Negroes who had reached the top of the steps were pushed violently forward and many fell. Before they could move others fell upon them and in fifteen minutes persons were piled upon each other to a height of ten feet. This wall of struggling humanity blocked the entrance and the weight of fifteen hundred persons was pushed against it. More than twenty persons lying on the steps underneath the heap of bodies died from suffocation.

In an hour the church had been practically cleared and the sight which greeted the eyes of those who had come to aid the injured was sickening. Down the aisles and along the outside of the pews, the dead bodies of men and women were strewn and the cries of the maimed and crippled were heartrending. In a few minutes the work of removing the bodies was begun and the walls of the relatives of the dead who had waited on the outside could be heard for several blocks.

QUEEN OF BELGIUM DEAD.

SPA, Belgium, Sept. 20.—Marie Henriette, queen of the Belgians, died here suddenly last night at ten minutes before 8 o'clock. Neither her husband, members of her family nor her majesty's doctors were present at the time of her death. She was seated

at a table eating a light dinner, when she was seized with an attack of syncope. Dr. Guillaume, who, in the course of the day, had remarked upon certain disquieting symptoms in the queen's condition, was summoned immediately, but her majesty was dead before he arrived.

LONG DISTANCE WIRES UP.

The Illinois Central long distance telephone wires have been strung as far as Claxton, 65 miles above Paducah, and the system is working as far as Princeton.

FREE.

Notice—Look at the free opening at 1501 Third and Broad streets. A new saloon opening. Plenty of barbecued meat for everyone. All welcome. MOBLEY AND WHITNEY.

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But as Good as the Goodest

Hart' Blue Granite Ware is the Goodest
Goods U Ever Seed.

FOUR COATS of enamel on nickel-
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GEO. O. HART & SONS CO.

CIRCUIT COURT OVER

The Criminal Term Ended This Afternoon in McCracken.

Grand Jury Makes Its Final Report—Prisoners Called Out and Sentenced.

COURT AGAIN IN DECEMBER

The September term of circuit court came to a close this afternoon, and the grand jury after a three week's session made its final report, bringing in quite a batch of indictments. Today little has been done, except calling a few cases in which the defendants would have had to remain in jail until December had not they consented to plead guilty.

Lillie Sherron was adjudged divorced from Thomas Sherron.

The grand jury failed to indict Gus Hennington for grand larceny and Webster Johnson for detaining a woman and they were released from custody.

There are about half a dozen prisoners in jail who did not get a trial this term.

The grand jury returned four indictments against George S. Allen, until recently assistant superintendent of the Prudential Insurance company here, for forgery. The accused left the city two weeks or more ago and his whereabouts are at present unknown.

It was learned when District Superintendent Francisco came down to assist in an investigation, that Allen had also falsified his reports, and had failed to turn in about four hundred dollars collected the week he disappeared. He also overdrawn the company's account at one of the banks \$97 and hoisted at Metropolis, Ill., a check on the same bank for \$150. It is estimated that he secured from the company since July 1 about \$2,000.

The names forged, and for which he was indicted, were local doctors which were affixed to the death certificates forwarded when several bogus policies were collected.

The following prisoners were sentenced: Moses Moxley, one year for stealing tools from the waterworks plant; Walter Moody, colored, three years for falsely swearing he was not at the Harbour establishment, when he was accused of stealing a shirt; Robert Craig, one year for breaking into the Bloodworth grocery in Mechanicsburg; Riley Gay, one year for false swearing; Spot Polk, life sentence for fatally shooting George Gray; Jerry Gray, one year for grand larceny; Alley Jackson, two years for stealing \$30 from the till at the Yeiser and McElrath drug establishment; Will Pryor, two years for assaulting bartender Frank Walston last year near Eleventh and Caldwell by dealing the latter a severe blow in the dark; Columbus Carroll, one year for obtaining money under false pretenses; Lonnie Fequa, life sentence for being accessory to the murder of George Gray; Warner Woolfolk, two years for manslaughter in killing Marshall Owen near Ninth and Trimble streets by shooting him during a carousal; John Schraven, one year for breaking into Dick Sebro's saloon; William Johnson, two years for stealing revolvers from the George O. Hart hardware establishment; Albert Arams, one year for obtaining from Rosenblatt a box of cigars under pretense that another sent him for them; Lottie Hamilton, one year for going to Cochran's shoe store and procuring a pair of shoes by stating her employer had sent her for them when she had not; Ed Mayberry, three years for picking the pocket of Architect McKinnon during the carnival last May and stealing \$80; Julia Starks, one year for shooting at Hun Cannon, at the city hall where the negro was a trusy cleaning up the building; Irvin Springer, one year for breaking into the office of the Melber mill in the county; James Webb, one year for false swearing; Hattie Taylor, two years for stealing a lot of clothing from the Tate home.

J. W. Ingram was granted a divorce from his wife Kate Ingram.

A judgment agreeing on a certain

division, was filed in the case of Nora Cook against Pat O'Brien.

Several indictments were returned against persons for allowing games to be operated in their place of business during the carnival. The bawdy houses were all indicted.

Charles Turpin, colored, who cut Joe Burk, colored, on the 14 of September, was this morning sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Willis Monroe, colored, who was in jail awaiting the action of the court on a charge of grand larceny, stealing iron from the railroad, was released on his recognizance. He was ill and the doctor says that he can not possibly last three months longer.

VERY SENSATIONAL

St. Louis Man Claims He Was Married in Hickman.

He Has No Recollection of It and Asks for an Annulment.

St. Louis, Sept. 20.—Was A. H. Eiseman married to Margaret Bressel, a wealthy widow?

In a suit filed in the circuit court here by Eiseman he states that the woman claims she is his wife, but he says he has no recollection of any marriage. He admits being addicted to the use of narcotics, and says that if he and the widow were married he must have been at the time under the influence of a drug.

The woman, Eiseman says, declares that they were married at Hickman, Ky., May 14, 1900. The only evidence he has against that statement is the word of his relatives, who say he was in Missouri on that date.

If the court finds that the marriage really occurred Eiseman asks that it be annulled. Otherwise he wants the woman enjoined from harassing him and calling herself Mrs. Eiseman. He says he is wealthy, and she declares, he asserts, that she will spend all her means to prove him her husband.

WELL KNOWN CITIZEN DEAD.

MR. JAMES DOUGAL, SR., DIES AFTER A SHORT ILLNESS.

Mr. James Dougal, the well known blacksmith, died last night at his home on Jackson street at 10 o'clock after an illness of several days from a complication of diseases. He was born in Nashville and was about 60 years old. He had been a resident of Paducah thirty-three years and was well known here.

He leaves five children, three sons and two daughters. They are: James Dougal of the city, Jesse Dougal of Memphis and Charles Dougal of Denver; Mrs. Belle Barger and Miss Callie Dougal of Paducah. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, burial at Oak Grove.

OUR NEW ORCHESTRA.

PROF. DEAL WILL PLEASANTLY SURPRISE THE PEOPLE.

Prof. Deal's Kentucky orchestra rehearsed at The Kentucky last night and he is ready to open the season with some of the latest and best musical hits.

He has several of the latest songs which he plays for concert style, something not often heard here, and the execution the musicians give the numbers is excellent. There are six members of the orchestra and all have been thoroughly drilled in the pieces that will be played tonight and tomorrow night. There will be selections from operas and regular orchestra numbers on the program and Prof. Deal will strive to give the best of satisfaction to all.

ALL PAID OFF.

The Illinois Central pay car arrived in the city yesterday afternoon late and paid off last night. The employees were crowded about the car until ten o'clock and this morning several dozens were paid off who were unable to secure their checks last night. The car then proceeded up the Louisville division of the road and will return within the next two days and go south.

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